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## TORCH.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MAY 25, 1878.

Now is the time to put your plants to bed.—*Boston Post.*

And put down your pillow-slips.

The Cornell freshmen will row the Harvard crew in July.—*Whitehall Times.*

When you Cora-lot of students how can they fresh-men?

What is so raw as a day in May?—*Boston Post.*

Isn't a day in Feb. raw-werry much more so?

German millet hay is good forage for horses.—*Ec.*

Good for millet-hay-rye horses probably.

Oysters have gone into the country.—*Danbury News.*

Oysters r gone into the country is better.

A boy in Ohio has three eyes.—*Chicago Times.*

Most all we have met have been too wise boys. This one must be an extra-eye edition. One i in Ohio seems enough.

At a horse racing "pool" sale you will always find a few pool-light-fingered gentlemen.

PARADOXICAL.—The first game of cricket a novice plays, he makes a big inning.

Minnesota has a female brakeman.—*Ec.*  
She brakes men's hearts probably.

When Wm. Tell came, Gesler found him a rival.—*Worcester Press.* Yes, and he likewise found him a deep-archer.—*Graphic.*

He a-bow-de with him till he found more shootable quarters.

On dit that Minnie Steven is to marry Bass the brewer.—*Boston Post.*

She will have a Bass-oon then for a hus band.

A New York State mud-turtle stopped a grist mill. He crawled into the cogs.—*Ec.*

He went in cog as it were.

The King and Queen Squares will only look sow-sow this Spring.

The *Evening Star* has star-ted.

The "cat's paw's" claw-ses in his letter has set the *Honorable* gentleman to studying his cat-cshin.

THE TORONTO LANCE will in future be published in Millbrook. The first issue from Millbrook will be on the 8th of June.

THE BOSTON PORCUPINE will be published on Tuesday instead of Saturday, in future. The *Porcupine*, since its enlargement is wonderfully improved and deserves to be well supported.

Did the *Evening Star* rise out of the "Dipper?"

"THE DEVIL CAN QUOTE SCRIPTURE," &c.—The *Hon. T. R. J.* in his letter to the *Globe* quotes the "Tea Commandments."

In the village of Stoughton (Wis.) the women secured the vote against the issuing of licenses. Twenty or thirty of them staid at the polls all day and worked.—*Ec.*

That was "Stoughton-Bitters" for the tavern keepers.

Dr. Ewer is a good singer—sings first base. One would think he would make a better pitcher.—*Graphic.* Such puns are de-basin.—*Norristown Herald.*

Ewer right.

We know a school mistress who is an-ice young lady. "Why," do you say? Because she keeps-cool.

A woman lawyer in Washington is worth \$20,000.—*Ec.*

That is a te-gal lee-male worth having an attachment for.

Why will the King Square, wher the shanties are all cleared off, be like a rooster? Because it will be Shanty-clear.

THE verdict of the jury in the Ellis-Power case serves to show that Detective Power hadn't the power to make Mrs. Ellis give up the money.

The Hon. (?) T. R. Jones, in his reply to ex-Councillor Knowles, calls him a "cat's paw." The *Honorable* gentleman evidently thinks the cat's paw rather sharp judging from the way it makes him scratch gravel.

A young fellow named Inch came within an inch of losing his life the other day, by the upsetting of a boat, between the bell buoy and Partridge Island. He clung to the boat and was rescued by people from the Island.

If he wants to be Inch sure of not being drowned, he had better insure his life or else keep in-shore.

The *Honorable* T. R. Jones informed a gentleman the other day that if he could be here on election day, he would prevent the election of Elder and Marshall, but unfortunately he had to go to England. Messrs. Elder and Marshall have great reason to feel thankful that such a mitey obstruction to their success will be removed.

THE BOSS EATER—Bayard Taylor may be the champion gourmandizer of the United States, but we have a colored gentleman here, named "Buckwheat" who intimates his willingness to wr stle "hash" with Bayard for the championship. One evening last fall, he ate two gallons of "Irish stew," at the three mile house, and said before commencing he didn't "feel bery hungry" as he'd "jess eaten a hearty supper."

## CLIPPINGS CRITICISED.

The author of "That Husband of Mine" has written a story called "Peter Cruet." She seems to have castor whole mind to such work. Not having read the book, we are not prepared to say whether any of the characters 'saut Peter, or not.—*Norristown Herald.*

We haven't muster'd courage enough to read it yet, but shall do so in due season.

John Morrissey has gone to meet Pharo.—*Chicago Times.* John's "ante"-cedents do seem to warrant this bluff statement.—*Boston Globe.* John has passed in his chips and shown his hand.—*Bost'n Post.* John will not "go it blind" any more.—*Ec.*

Wrong, for when the "last trump" "calls" John shall be "raised" and we will all "see him."

Do you know whether "old stag whisky" is very deer?—*N. Y. Graphic.* Oh, goat to! with your couundrum.—*Norr. Herald.*

Pay for a "horn" and find out.

There is a girl up in the country by the name of Hattie Rack, but her people call her Hat Rack for short.—*Goconda Enterprise.*

Some nice young man should "set his cap" for such an hat-rack-tive young girl.

The apothecary is a vial fellow.—*Ec.* Yes, he should be bottled up.—*N. Y. News.*

He might do something which would mortar-fly you, so perhaps it would be pest-le-t him alone.

Gen. Todleben is reported to have served his time at the shoe trade, which accounts for his successful management of the late shoot-raid into Turkey.—*Yonkers Gazette.*

Did he bring away any boot-y?

Bradford has a new paper called the *Sunday Breeze.* It is now in order for some one to remark that it will not succeed in "raising the wind."—*Norristown Herald.*

It will soon begin to "blow" about its circulation.

Georgia ladies practice archery.—*N. Y. Herald.* Ladies have no difficulty in drawing beaux,—especially when the young ladies' lips are chery-red.—*Torch.* They frequently get the young men "on a string" as it were.—*Boston Porcupine.*

The cable assures us that "the Begum of Bhopal has offered his whole available force for services abroad."

How long is it since he Begum so generous?

The "watch" word to bankruptey—"Tick"—*Cincinnati Breakfast Table.* And it makes idle "hands."—*Whitehall Times.*

Is a bankrupt "run down" when he is "wound up"?

A little Cairo, Ill., girl, 9 years old, is the champion checker player of that town.—*Ec.*

Well, her yer play. It's not right to check her playing in her play.

An exchange warns everybody that certain tints of wall paper are poisonous. Now, who in all christendom eats wall paper?—*Syracuse Sunday Times.*

We have seen a girl's wall-ow paper to make her look delicate.

The crude iron ore that comes from the earth, is made into refined steel. The poet says about it:—

"Still so gently ore me steel-ing."

And even after being manufactured into screws it's crude.

Some err who eat oysters in the summer, because oysters haven't some r in them now.—*Whitehall Times.*

This joke is stew funny. Can't you give us some more of such an ex-shell-ent quality, and we will say hur-raw!

If Satan is not a female, what is he called Lucy-Dr?—*Whitehall Times.*

This is a very imp-or-tant question.